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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR § 1.53(b))**

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:

**Michael Gough**

For: **HIGH-SPEED DATA TRANSFER IN A NETWORKED SERVER ENVIRONMENT VIA LASER COMMUNICATION**

Application Elements:

- ☒ 16 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract  
☒ 07 Sheets of Drawings  
☐ Pages Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

Accompanying Application Parts:

- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)  
☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449  
☐ Copies of IDS Citations  
☒ Request for Non-Publication and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)  
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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION  
UNDER  
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor **Michael Gough**

Title **High-Speed Data Transfer In A Networked  
Server Environment Via Laser Communication**

Atty Docket Number **NEO1P028A**

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